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3. Pursuant to authority delegated to the Commanding General, Third United States Army by Commanding General, United States Forces, European Theater, a General Military Government Court consisting of the following officers is hereby appointed to meet at the time and place designated by the President thereof for the trial of such persons as may be properly brought before it.

DETAIL FOR THE COURT

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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL TRUSCOTT:

DON E. CARLETON,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Chief of Staff.

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MILITARY GOVERNMENT COURT
(Militaergericht)

CHARGE SHEET
(Anklageschrift)

Dachau, Germany
(Dachau, Deutschland)

2 November 1945
(2. November, 1945)

NAMES OF THE ACCUSED:
(Namen der Angeklagten)

Martin Gottfried Weiss
Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert
Josef Jarolin
Franz Xaver Trenkle
Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer
Josef Seuss
Leonhard Anselm Eichberger
Wilhelm Wagner
Johann Kick
Dr. Fritz Hintermayer
Dr. Wilhelm Witteler
Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer
Otto Foerschner
Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele
Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling
Christof Ludwig Knoll
Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr
Franz Boettger
Peter Betz
Anton Endres
Simon Kiern
Michael Redwitz
Wilhelm Welter
Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop
Wilhelm Tempel
Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer
Fritz M. K. Becher
Alfred Kramer
Sylvester Filleboeck
Vinzenz Schoettl
Albin Gretsch
Johann Viktor Kirsch
Hans Aumeier
Emil Erwin Mahl
Walter Adolf Langleist
Johann Schoepp
Arno Lippmann
Hans Bayer
Fritz Degelow
Otto Moll
Otto Schulz
Friedrich Wetzel

are hereby charged with the following offences:
(sind hiermit wegen der folgenden strafbaren Handlungen angeklagt:)

FIRST CHARGE: Violation of the Laws and Usages of War.

Particulars: In that Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M.K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Hans Aumeier, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz and Friedrich Wetzel, acting in pursuance of a common design to commit the acts hereinafter alleged, and as members of the staff of Dachau Concentration Camp and camps subsidiary thereto,, did, at, or in the vicinity of Dachau and Landsberg, Germany, between about 1 January 1942 and about 29 April 1945, willfully, deliberately and wrongfully encourage aid, abet and participate in the subjection of civilian nationals of nations then at war with the then German Reic

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to cruelties and mistreatment, including killings, beatings, tortures, starvation, abuses and indignities, the exact names and numbers of such civilian nationals being unknown but aggregating many thousands who were then and there in the custody of the German Reich in exercise of belligerent control.

(Erste Anklage: Verletzung der Gesetze und Gebraeuche des Krieges.

Einzelheiten: Dass Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Sauss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Klick, Dr. Fritz Hintermeyer, Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M.K. Becher, Alfred Kremer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Hans Aumeier, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll Otto Schulz und Friedrich Wetzel in Verfolgung eines gemeinschaftlichen Vorhabens handelten, um die Taten, die hiernach behauptet worden, zu begehen und als Mitglieder der Verwaltung des Konzentrationslagers Dachau und dazu gehoeriger Aussenlager in oder in der Umgebung von Dachau und Landsberg, Deutschland, ungefaehr zwischen ungefaehr dem 1 Januar 1942 und ungefaehr dem 29. April 1945, absichtlich, vorsaetzlich und rechtswidrig dabei geholfen, darin unterstuetzt und daran teilgenommen haben, dass zivile Staatsangehoerige von Staaten, die sich zu dieser Zeit mit dem damaligen Deutschen Reiche im Kriegszustand befanden, Grausamkeiten, Misshandlungen einschliesslich Toetungen, Pruegelungen, Folterungen, Verhungerungen, taetlichen Uebergriffen und Erniedrigungen ausgesetzt wurden. Die genauen Namen und die Zahl dieser zivilen Staatsangehoerigen ist nicht bekannt, aber sie erreicht insgesamt viele Tausende derjenigen, die sich zu dieser Zeit und an diesem Orte im Gewahrsam des Deutschen Reiches befanden, das sie unter dem Rechtstitel kriegsfuehrender Ueberwachung festhielt.)

SECOND CHARGE: Violation of the Laws and Usages of War.

Particulars: In that Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Sauss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Klick, Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M.K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Hans Aumeier, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist; Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz and Friedrich Wetzel, acting in pursuance of a common design to commit the acts hereinafter alleged, and as members of the staff of Dachau Concentration Camp, did, at or in the vicinity of Dachau, Germany, between about 1 January 1942 and about 29 April 1945, willfully, deliberately and wrongfully encourage, aid, abet and participate in the subjection of members of the armed forces of nations then at war with the then German Reich, who were then and there surrendered and unarmed prisoners of war in the custody of the then German Reich, to cruelties and mistreatment, including killings, beatings tortures, starvation, abuses and indignities, the exact names and numbers of such prisoners of war being unknown but aggregating many hundreds.

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(ZWEITE ANKLAGE: Verletzung der Gesetze und Gebraeuche des Krieges.

Einzelheiten: Dass Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Dr. Fritz Hintermeyer, Dr. Wilhelm Wittler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdoerfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Leusterer, Fritz M.K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Hans Aumeier, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz und Friedrich Wetzel in Verfolgung eines gemeinschaftlichen Vorhabens handelten, um die Taten, die hiernach behauptet worden, zu begehen und als Mitglieder der Verwaltung des Konzentrationslagers Dachau in oder in der Umgebung von Dachau, Deutschland, ungefaehr zwischen dem 1. Januar 1942 und ungefaehr dem 29. April 1945 absichtlich, vorsaetzlich und rechtswidrig dazu angestiftet, dabei geholfen, darin unterstuetzt und daran teilgenommen haben, Angehoerige von Streitkraeften der zu dieser Zeit sich mit dem damaligen Deutschen Reich im Kriegszustand befindlichen Staaten und die zu dieser Zeit und an diesem Ort als ergebene und unbewaffnete Kriegsgefangene in Gewahrsam des damaligen Deutschen Reiches waren. Grausamkeiten, Misshandlungen einschliesslich Toetungen, Pruegelungen, Folterungen, Vergungerungen, taetlichen Uebergriffen und Erniedrigungen ausgesetzt haben, deren genauer Name und die Zahl nicht bekannt ist, aber insgesamt viele Hunderte erreicht.)

OFFICER PREFERRING CHARGES:
(Der Offizier der die Anklagen erhebt)

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DAVID CHAVEZ, Jr., Col, JAGD.
Army of the United States.

The above charges are referred for trial to The General Military Court, appointed by Par.3, Special Order Nomber 304, Headquarters Third United States Army and Eastern Military District, dated 2 November 1945, to be hold at Dachau, Germany, on or about, 15 November 1945.

(Die obengenannten Anklagen sind dem Oberen Militaergericht zur Verhandlung zugewiesen, das durch den Spezialbefehl No.304 Par.3, Hauptquartier 3. Armee der Vereinigten Staaten und Oestlicher Militaerbezirk, datiert 2. November 1945, angeordnet ist und soll in Dachau, Deutschland, an dem, oder ungefaehr an dem 15. November 1945 abzuhalten ist.

By Command of Lieutenant General TRUSCOTT:
(Auf Befehl von Generalleutnant TRUSCOTT:)

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A. J. Fischer,
Capt., Inf.,
Actg.Asst.Adj.Gen.

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I certify that on 2 November 1945 the foregoing charges and particulars were read aloud in English and in German to: Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenke, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Souss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lauster-er, Fritz M.K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Fillebeeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Otto Schulz, Freidrich Wetzel, and that a copy of the foregoing charges and particulars were delivered to each of the above named accused on 4 November 1945.

I further certify that on 4 November 1945 the foregoing charges and periculars were read aloud in English and in German to: Johann Kick, Wilhelm Tempel, Emil Erwin Mahl, Arno Lippmann, Fritz Degelow Otto Moll and Dr. Wilhelm Wittoler, and that a copy of the foregoing charges and periculars were delivered to each of the persons named in this paragraph on the same date.

William D. Denson
Lt. Col., J.A.G.D.
Trial Judge Advocate

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Dachau, Germany 5
12 December 1945

FINDINGS

President: It is the desire of this court to announce the findings, and, later on, the sentences, in open court. The court desires to caution the audience that it will tolerate no expressions of approval or disapproval. Will the accused and counsel arise? The court, in closed session, at least two-thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken concurring in each finding of guilty, finds Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Doctor Fritz Hintermayer, Doctor Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foersohner, Doctor Hans Kurt Eisele, Doctor Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Doctor Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M. K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz, Friedrich Wet el, of all particulars and charges, guilty.

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Dachau, Germany

13 December 1945

SENTENCES.

President: It is the desire of this court to announce the sentences in open court. We will do that only if the audience demonstrates ability to maintain complete silence, no exclamations of approval or disapproval.

This court desires to make certain comments before announcing sentences. The evidence presented to this court convinced it beyond a doubt that the Dachau Concentration Camp subjected its inmates to killings, beatings, tortures, indignities and starvation to an extent and to a degree that necessitates an indictment of everyone, nigh and low, who had anything to do with conducting and operating the camp. This court reiterates that although appointed by a conquering nation as a military government court in a conquered land it sits in judgment under international law and under such laws of humanity and customs of human behaviour that is recognized commonly by civilized people. Many of the acts committed at Camp Dachau had clearly the sanction of the high officials of the then government of the German Reich and of the de facto laws and customs of the then German government itself. It is the view of this court that when a sovereign state sets itself up above reasonably recognized and constituted international law or is willing to transcend readily recognizable civilized customs of humane and decent

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treatment of persons, the individuals effecting such policies of their state must be held responsible for their part in the violation of international law and the customs and laws of humanity.

The accused and the counsel will stand. The accused will present themselves individually in the order in which they are numbered before the bench.

Martin Gottfried Weiss, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Josef Jarolin, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Franz Xaver Trenkle, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Josef Seuss, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Wagner, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Kick, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Otto Foerschner, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Christof Ludwig Knoll, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Franz Boettger, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Peter Betz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to life imprisonment, commencing forthwith, at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

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Anton Endres, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Simon Kiern, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Michael Redwitz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Welter, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Tempel, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years commencing 13 December 1945 at such place as may be designated by competent military authority,

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Fritz M. K. Becher, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct,

Alfred Kramer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Sylvester Fillebeck, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Vinzenz Schoettl, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Albin Gretsch, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years commencing 13 December 1945 at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

Johann Viktor Kirsch, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Emil Erwin Mahl, the court in closed session at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Walter Adolf Langleist, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Schoepp, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years, commencing 13 December 1945, at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

Arno Lippmann, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Fritz Degelow, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Otto Moll, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Otto Schulz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Friedrich Wetzel, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Dachau, Germany
15 December 1945

I, Brigadier General John M. Lentz, President of the General Military Court appointed by paragraph 3, Special Orders No. 304, Headquarters Third U. S. Army and Eastern Military District, dated 2 November 1945, do hereby certify that the foregoing documents attached hereto and in this order: (1) Extract of orders appointing court, (2) Charge Sheet with certificate of service, (3) Findings of the court on the Charges, and (4) Sentence of the court, are true and correct copies of the original documents used in the trial of the Dachau Concentration Camp case

(Signed) JOHN M. LENTZ.

JOHN M. LENTZ
Brigadier General, U.S. Army
President.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT COURT
(Militärgericht)

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CHARGE SHEET
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2 November 1945
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Particulars: In that Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M. K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Hans Aumeier, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz and Friedrich Wetzel, acting in pursuance of a common design to commit the acts hereinafter alleged, and as members of the staff of Dachau Concentration Camp and camps subsidiary thereto, did, at, or in the vicinity of DACHAU and LANDSBERG, Germany, between about 1 January 1942 and about 29 April 1945, willfully, deliberately and wrongfully encourage, aid, abet and participate in the subjection of civilian nationals of nations then at war with the then German Reich to cruelties and mistreatment, including killings, beatings, tortures, starvation, abuses and indignities, the exact names and numbers of such civilian nationals being unknown but aggregating many thousands who were then and there in the custody of the German Reich in exercise of belligerent control.

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(ERSTE ANKLAGE: Verletzung der Gesetze und Gebräuche des Krieges.

Einzelheiten: Dass Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermayer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Dr. Fritz Hintermeyer, Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Förschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Böttger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M. K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleböck, Vinzenz Schöttl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Hans Aumeier, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schöpp, Arno Lippmann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz und Friedrich Wetzel in Verfolgung eines gemeinschaftlichen Vorhabens handelten, um die Taten, die hiernach behauptet werden, zu begehen und als Mitglieder der Verwaltung des Konzentrationslagers Dachau und dazu gehoeriger Aussenlager in oder in der Umgebung von Dachau und Landsberg, Deutschland, ungefähr zwischen ungefähr dem 1 Januar 1942 und ungefähr dem 29. April 1945, absichtlich, vorsatzlich und rechtswidrig dabei geholfen, darin untersützt und daran teilgenommen haben, dass zivile Staatsangehoerige von Staaten, die sich zu dieser Zeit mit dem damaligen Deutschen Reiche im Kriegszustand befanden, Grausamkeiten, Misshandlungen einschliesslich Toetungen, Prugelungen, Folterungen, Verhungerungen, tätlichen Übergriffen und Erniedrigungen ausgesetzt wurden. Die genauen Namen und die Zahl dieser zivilen Staatsangehoerigen ist nicht bekannt, aber sie erreicht insgesamt viele Tausende derjenigen, die sich zu dieser Zeit und an diesem Orte im Gewahrsam des Deutschen Reiches befanden, das sie unter dem Rechtstitel kriegsführender Überwachung festhielt.)

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mann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz und Friedrich Wetzel in Verfolgung eines gemeinschaftlichen Vorhabens handelten, um die Taten, die hiernach behauptet werden, zu begehen und als Mitglieder der Verwaltung des Konzentrationslagers Dachau in oder in der Umgebung von Dachau, Deutschland, ungefähr zwischen dem 1. Januar 1942 und ungefähr dem 29. April 1945 absichtlich, vorsätzlich und rechtswidrig dazu angestiftet, dabei geholfen, darin unterstuetzt und daran teilgenommen haben, Angehörige von Streitkräften der zu dieser Zeit sich mit dem damaligen Deutschen Reich im Kriegszustand befindlichen Staaten und die zu dieser Zeit und an diesem Ort als ergebene und unbewaffnete Kriegsgefangene in Gewahrsam des damaligen Deutschen Reiches waren, Grausamkeiten, Misshandlungen einschliesslich Toetungen. Pruegelungen, Folterungen, Verhungerungen, Taetlichen Uebergriffen und Erniedrigungen ausgesetzt haben, deren genauer Name und die Zahl nicht bekannt ist, aber insgesamt viele Hunderte erreicht).

OFFICER PREFERRING CHARGES:
(Der Offizier der die Anklagen erhebt)

DAVID CHAVEZ, Jr., Col., JAGD,
Army of the United States.

The above charges are referred for trial to The General Military Court, appointed by Par. 3, Special Order Number 304, Headquarters Third United States Army and Eastern Military District, dated 2 November 1945, to be held at Dachau, Germany, on, or about, 15 November 1945.

(Die oben genannten Anklagen sind dem Oberen Militaergericht zur Verhandlung zugewiesen, das durch den Spezialbefehl No. 304, Par. 3, Hauptquartier 3. Armee der Vereinigten Staaten und Oestlicher Militaerbezirk, datiert 2. November 1945, angeordnet ist und soll in Dachau, Deutschland, an dem, oder ungefaehr an dem 15. November 1945 abzuhalten ist.

By Command of Lieutenant General TRUSCOTT:
(Auf Befehl von Generalleutnant TRUSCOTT:)

A. J. FISCHER,
Capt., Inf.,
actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

I certify that on 2 November 1945 the foregoing charges and particulars were read aloud in English and in German to: Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M. K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Otto Schulz, Friedrich Wetzel, and that a copy of the foregoing charges and particulars were delivered to each of the above named accused on 4 November 1945.

I further certify that on 4 November 1945 the foregoing charges and particulars were read aloud in English and in German to: Johann Kick, Wilhelm Tempel, Emil Erwin Mahl, Arno Lippmann, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll and Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, and that a copy of the foregoing charges and particulars were delivered to each of the persons named in this paragraph on the same date.

WILLIAM D. DENSON
Lt. Col., J.A.G.D.,
Trial Judge Advocate

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Dachau, Germany
12 December 1945

FINDINGS

President: It is the desire of this court to announce the findings, and, later on, the sentences, in open court. The court desires to caution the audience that it will tolerate no expressions of approval or disapproval. Will the accused and counsel arise? The court, in closed session, at least two-thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken concurring in each finding of guilty, finds Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Doctor Fritz Hintermayer, Doctor Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Feerschner, Doctor Hans Kurt Eisele, Doctor Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Doctor Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M. K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz, Friedrich Wetzel, of all particulars and charges, guilty.

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Dachau, Germany

13 December 1945

SENTENCES

President: It is the desire of this court to announce the sentences in open court. We will do that only if the audience demonstrates ability to maintain complete silence., no exclamations of approval or disapproval.

This court desires to make certain comments before announcing sentences. The evidence presented to this court convinced it beyond a doubt that the Dachau Concentration Camp subjected its inmates to killings, beatings, tortures, indignities and starvation to an extent and to a degree that necessitates an indictment of everyone, high and low, who had anything to do with conducting and operating the camp. This court reiterates that although appointed by a conquering nations as a military government court in a conquered land it sits in judgement under international law and under such laws of humanity and customs of human behaviour that is recognized commonly by civilized people. Many of the acts committed at Camp Dachau had clearly the sanction of the high officials of the then government of the German Reich and of the defacto laws and customs of the then German government itself. It is the view of this court that when a sovereign state sets itself up above reasonably recognized and constituted international law or is willing to transcend readily recognizable civilized customs of humane and decent

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treatment of persons, the individuals effecting such policies of their state must be held responsible for their part in the violation of international law and the customs and laws of humanity.

The accused and the counsel will stand. The accused will present themselves individually in the order in which they are numbered before the bench.

Martin Gottfried Weiss, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Josef Jarolin, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Franz Xaver Trenkle, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Engelbert Valentin Niedermayer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Josef Seuss, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Wagner, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Kick, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Otto Foerschner, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Christof Ludwig Knoll, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Franz Boettger, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Peter Betz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to life imprisonment, commencing forthwith, at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

Anton Endres, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Simon Kiern, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Michael Redwitz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Welter, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Tempel, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years commencing 13 December 1945 at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

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Fritz M. K. Becher, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Alfred Kramer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Sylvester Filleboeck, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Vinzenz Schoettl, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Albin Gretsch, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years commencing 13 December 1945 at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

Johann Viktor Kirsch, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Emil Erwin Mahl, the court in closed session at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Walter Adolf Langleist, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Schoepp, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years, commencing 13 December 1945, at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

Arno Lippmann, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Fritz Degelow, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Otto Moll, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Otto Schulz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Friedrich Wetzel, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Dachau, Germany
15 December 1945

I, Brigadier General John M. Lentz, President of the General Military Court appointed by paragraph 3, Special Orders No 304, Headquarters Third U. S. Army and Eastern Military District, dated 2 November 1945, do hereby certify that the foregoing documents attached hereto and in this order: (1) Extract of orders appointing court, (2) Charge Sheet with certificate of service, (3) Findings of the court on the Charges, and (4) Sentence of the court, are true and correct copies of the original documents used in the trial of the Dachau Concentration Camp case.

JOHN M. LENTZ
Brigadier General, U.S.Army
President

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MILITARY GOVERNMENT COURT
(Militaergericht)

CHARGE SHEET
(Anklageschrift)

Dachau, Germany
(Dachau, Deutschland)

2 November 1945
(2. November, 1945)

NAMES OF THE ACCUSED:
(Namen der Angeklagten)

Martin Gottfried Weiss	Michael Redwitz
Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert	Wilhelm Welter
Josef Jarolin	Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop
Franz Xaver Trenkle	Wilhelm Tempel
Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer	Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer
Josef Seuss	Fritz M. K. Becher
Leonhard Anselm Eichberger	Alfred Kramer
Wilhelm Wagner	Sylvester Filleboeck
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Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer	Hans Aumeier
Otto Foerschner	Emil Erwin Mahl
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Christof Ludwig Knoll	Arno Lippmann
Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr	Hans Bayer
Franz Boettger	Fritz Degelow
Peter Betz	Otto Moll
Anton Endres	Otto Schulz
Simon Kiern	Friedrich Wetzel

are hereby charged with the following offences:
(sind hiermit wegen der folgenden strafbaren Handlungen angeklagt:)

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to cruelties and mistreatment, including killings, beatings, tortures, starvation. abuses and indignities, the exact names and numbers of such civilian nationals being unknown but aggregating many thousands who were then and there in the custody of the German Reich in exercise of belligerent control.

(Erste Anklage: Verletzung der Gesetze und Gebraeuche des Krieges.

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(ZWEITE ANKLAGE: Verletzung der Gesetze und Gebraeuche des Krieges.

Einzelheiten: Dass Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Sauss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Dr. Fritz Hintermeyer, Dr. Wilhelm Wittler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M.K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Hans Aumeier, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Hans Bayer, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz und Friedrich Wetzel in Verfolgung eines gemeinschaftlichen Vorhabens handelten, um die Taten, die hiernach behauptet werden, zu begehen und als Mitglieder der Verwaltung des Konzentrationslagers Dachau in oder in der Umgebung von Dachau, Deutschland, ungefaehr zwischen dem 1. Januar 1942 und ungefaehr dem 29. April 1945 absichtlich, vorsaetzlich und rechtswidrig dazu angestiftet, dabei geholfen, darin unterstuetzt und daran teilgenommen haben, Angehoerige von Streitkraeften der zu dieser Zeit sich mit dem damaligen Deutschen Reich im Kriegszustand befindlichen Staaten und die zu dieser Zeit und an diesem Ort als ergebene und unbewaffnete Kriegsgefangene in Gewahrsam des damaligen Deutschen Reiches waren, Grausamkeiten, Misshandlungen einschliesslich Toetungen, Pruegelungen, Folterungen, Vergungerungen, taetlichen Uebergriffen und Erniedrigungen ausgesetzt haben, deren genauer Name und die Zahl nicht bekannt ist, aber insgesamt viele Hunderte erreicht.)

OFFICER PREFERRING CHARGES:
(Der Offizier der die Anklagen erhebt)

DAVID CHAVEZ, Jr., Col, JAGD.
Army of the United States.

The above charges are referred for trial to The General Military Court, appointed by Par.3, Special Order Nomber 304, Headquarters Third United States Army and Eastern Military District, dated 2 November 1945, to be held at Dachau, Germany, on or about, 15 November 1945.

(Die obengenannten Anklagen sind dem Oberen Militaergericht zur Verhandlung zugewiesen, das durch den Spezialbefehl No.304 Par.3, Hauptquartier 3. Armee der Vereinigten Staaten und Oestlicher Militaerbezirk, datiert 2. November 1945, angeordnet ist und soll in Dachau, Deutschland, an dem, oder ungefaehr an dem 15. November 1945 abzuhalten ist.

By Command of Lieutenant General TRUSCOTT:
(Auf Befehl von Generalleutnant TRUSCOTT:)

L. J. Fischer,
Capt., Inf.,
Actg.Asst.Adj.Gen.

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I certify that on 2 November 1945 the foregoing charges and particulars were read aloud in English and in German to: Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenke, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Souss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M.K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Walter Adolf Langleist. Johann Schoepp, Otto Schulz, Freidrich Wetzel, and that a copy of the foregoing charges and particulars were delivered to each of the above named accused on 4 November 1945.

I further certify that on 4 November 1945 the foregoing charges and pariculars were read aloud in English and in German to: Johann Kick, Wilhelm Tempel, Emil Erwin Mahl, Arno Lippmann, Fritz Degelow Otto Moll and Dr. Wilhelm Wittelor, and that a copy of the foregoing charges and pariculars were delivered to each of the persons named in this paragraph on the same date.

William D. Denson
Lt. Col., J.A.G.D.
Trial Judge Advocate

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Dachau, Germany
12 December 1945

FINDINGS

President: It is the desire of this court to announce the findings, and, later on, the sentences, in open court. The court desires to caution the audience that it will tolerate no expressions of approval or disapproval. Will the accused and counsel arise? The court, in closed session, at least two-thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken concurring in each finding of guilty, finds Martin Gottfried Weiss, Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, Josef Jarolin, Franz Xaver Trenkle, Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, Josef Seuss, Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, Wilhelm Wagner, Johann Kick, Doctor Fritz Hintermayer, Doctor Wilhelm Witteler, Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, Otto Foerschner, Doctor Hans Kurt Eisele, Doctor Klaus Karl Schilling, Christof Ludwig Knoll, Doctor Fridolin Karl Puhr, Franz Boettger, Peter Betz, Anton Endres, Simon Kiern, Michael Redwitz, Wilhelm Welter, Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, Wilhelm Tempel, Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, Fritz M. K. Becher, Alfred Kramer, Sylvester Filleboeck, Vinzenz Schoettl, Albin Gretsch, Johann Viktor Kirsch, Emil Erwin Mahl, Walter Adolf Langleist, Johann Schoepp, Arno Lippmann, Fritz Degelow, Otto Moll, Otto Schulz, Friedrich Wetzel, of all particulars and charges, guilty.

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Dachau, Germany

13 December 1945

SENTENCES.

President: It is the desire of this court to announce the sentences in open court. We will do that only if the audience demonstrates ability to maintain complete silence, no exclamations of approval or disapproval.

This court desires to make certain comments before announcing sentences. The evidence presented to this court convinced it beyond a doubt that the Dachau Concentration Camp subjected its inmates to killings, beatings, tortures, indignities and starvation to an extent and to a degree that necessitates an indictment of everyone, nigh and low, who had anything to do with conducting and operating the camp. This court reiterates that although appointed by a conquering nation as a military government court in a conquered land it sits in judgment under international law and under such laws of humanity and customs of human behaviour that is recognized commonly by civilized people. Many of the acts committed at Camp Dachau had clearly the sanction of the high officials of the then government of the German Reich and of the de facto laws and customs of the then German government itself. It is the view of this court that when a sovereign state sets itself up above reasonably recognized and constituted international law or is willing to transcend readily recognizable civilized customs of humane and decent

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treatment of persons, the individuals effecting such policies of their state must be held responsible for their part in the violation of international law and the customs and laws of humanity.

The accused and the counsel will stand. The accused will present themselves individually in the order in which they are numbered before the bench.

Martin Gottfried Weiss, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Friedrich Wilhelm Ruppert, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Josef Jarolin, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Franz Xaver Trenkle, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Engelbert Valentin Niedermeyer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Josef Seuss, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Leonhard Anselm Eichberger, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Wagner, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Kick, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Fritz Hintermayer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Wilhelm Witteler, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Baptist Eichelsdorfer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Otto Foerschner, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Hans Kurt Eisele, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Klaus Karl Schilling, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Christof Ludwig Knoll, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Dr. Fridolin Karl Puhr, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Franz Boettger, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Peter Betz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to life imprisonment, commencing forthwith, at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

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Anton Endres, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Simon Kiern, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Michael Redwitz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Welter, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Rudolf Heinrich Suttrop, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Wilhelm Tempel, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Hugo Alfred Erwin Lausterer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years commencing 13 December 1945 at such place as may be designated by competent military authority,

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Fritz M. K. Becher, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct,

Alfred Kramer, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Sylvester Fillebeck, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Vinzenz Schoettl, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Albin Gretsch, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years commencing 13 December 1945 at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

Johann Viktor Kirsch, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Emil Erwin Mahl, the court in closed session at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Walter Adolf Langleist, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Johann Schoepp, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to be imprisoned for a term of ten years, commencing 13 December 1945, at such place as may be designated by competent military authority.

Arno Lippmann, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Fritz Degelow, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Otto Moll, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Otto Schulz, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

Friedrich Wetzel, the court in closed session, at least two thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken, concurring, sentences you to death by hanging at such time and place as higher authority may direct.

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Dachau, Germany
15 December 1945

I, Brigadier General John M. Lentz, President of the General Military Court appointed by paragrapn 3, Special Orders No. 304, Headquarters Third U. S. Army and Eastern Military District, dated 2 November 1945, do hereby certify that the foregoing documents attached hereto and in this order: (1) Extract of orders appointing court, (2) Charge Sheet with certificate of service, (3) Findings of the court on the Charges, and (4) Sentence of the court, are true and correct copies of the original documents used in the trial of the Dachau Concentration Camp case

(Signed) JOHN M. LENTZ.

JOHN M. LENTZ
Brigadier General, U.S.Army
President.

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